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SUBJECT: MADRID DEMONSTRATION AGAINST RISING PRICES

1. THE DEGREE OF GRASSROOTS CONCERN WITH RAPIDLY RISING CONSUMER PRICES WAS REFLECTED IN THREE NOTABLY PEACEFUL MARCHES BY 125 TO 170 THOUSAND MADRILENOS ON SEPTEMBER 9. THE PROTESTS WERE ORGANIZED BY THE AMAS DE CASA (ROUGHLY "HOUSEWIVES"), A LEADING WOMEN'S GROUP, AND WHILE THE CENTRAL THEME WAS INFLATION MANY PARTICIPANTS ESPOUSED A MISCELLANY OF ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND LABOR CONCERNS.

2. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH THE THEME OF THE DEMONSTRATION WAS SOMEWHAT UNFOCUSED, THE LARGE CROWDS PROVIDED AMPLE PROOF (IF ANY IS EVER NEEDED) OF POPULAR CONCERN WITH RISING PRICES. THIS CONCERN MAY NOT NECESSARILY WORK TO THE ULTIMATE DISADVANTAGE OF THE GOVERNMENT, WHOSE LEADERS ARE NOW TRYING TO NEGOTIATE LABOR WAGE RESTRAINT IN EXCHANGE FOR PRICE CONTROLS AND OTHER ECONOMIC MEASURES. NEWS COVERAGE OF THE DEMONSTRATION WAS FAIRLY LIMITED, ALTHOUGH FEATURING OVERSIZE PICTURES OF THE SEEMINGLY ENDLESS PROCESSIONS. POLITICAL LEADERS AND MEDIA HAVE SHOWN NO REAL INTEREST IN

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PLACING POLITICAL INTERPRETATIONS ON THE ENTIRELY NATURAL POPULAR DEMAND FOR HOLDING PRICES DOWN. EATON

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